

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

FOOTHILLS RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE)
CORPORATION, INC.'S REQUEST FOR)
CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION)
FILED IN SUPPORT OF ITS CALLER I.D. ON)
CALL WAITING TARIFF)

CASE NO. 97-109

O R D E R

This matter arising upon request of Foothills Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. ("Foothills Rural Telephone"), filed February 26, 1997, for confidential protection of the cost information filed in support of its tariff revisions, and it appearing to this Commission as follows:

Foothills Rural Telephone has filed revisions to its tariff to become effective on April 1, 1997. In support of the revisions, Foothills Rural Telephone has filed cost information which it has requested to be protected as confidential. No petition or other document has been filed in support of the request.

KRS 61.872(1) requires information filed with the Commission to be available for public inspection unless specifically exempted by statute. Exemptions from this requirement are provided in KRS 61.878(1). The procedure for obtaining confidential protection for information filed with the Commission is provided in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7. Foothills Rural Telephone has not met the procedural requirements of the regulation, and the information therefore cannot be protected as confidential.

This Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised,

IT IS ORDERED that :

1. The request to protect Foothills Rural Telephone's cost information filed in support of its revised tariff as confidential is hereby denied.
2. The information sought to be protected shall be held and retained by this Commission as confidential and shall not be open for public inspection for a period of 20 days from the date of this Order to allow Foothills Rural Telephone to file a petition in accordance with the requirements of 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7.
3. If at the expiration of the 20-day period no petition has been filed by Foothills Rural Telephone, the information shall be placed in the public record without further Orders herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of April, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

Don Mills
Executive Director